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RAB/TAPP Resources

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The following resources are available to individuals interested in the U.S. Department of Defense's Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) and Technical Assistance for Public Participation (TAPP) programs. Most of these resources are available on the World Wide Web, and may be requested from the Office of the Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Environmental Cleanup, Attn: OADUSD(CL); 3400 Defense Pentagon, 3E787, Washington, DC 20301-3400. For more information call the USAEC Environmental Restoration Division at 410-436-1519.

- 1. DoD Environmental Cleanup Homepage - Public Involvement Section**

This site on the World Wide Web is maintained by the DoD Environmental Cleanup Office and is the focal point for DoD's RAB information. It includes DoD guidance on RABs, TAPP, and other related information and is updated on a regular basis. It is available at: <http://www.dtic.mil/envirodod/envrab.html>
- 2. RAB Rule (Proposed)**

This draft rule, which was published in the Federal Register on August 6, 1996 (Volume 61, Number 152, pp. 40764-40772), provides interim guidance for the operation and funding of DoD's RAB program. The rule is posted at http://www.dtic.mil/envirodod/rab/rab_fedr.html
- 3. RAB Resource Book**

The information in this book is intended to provide a practical tool for installation co-chairs of RABs in their efforts to form and operate a RAB effectively. It contains a brief summary of DoD policy, outlines suggested key steps, and provides tips on avoiding roadblocks. It is available at <http://www.dtic.mil/envirodod/rab/rabresource>
- 4. RAB Directory**

This resource provides co-chair names and locator information for all existing RABs. It is available at: <http://www.dtic.mil/envirodod/rab/intro.html>
- 5. Technical Assistance for Public Participation (TAPP) Rule (Final)**

DoD's TAPP program provides technical assistance to local community members of RABs and Technical Review Committees (TRCs). The final TAPP rule, which covers who may apply for TAPP, procedures, and eligible projects, was published in the Federal Register, on February 2, 1998 (Volume 63, Number 21, pp. 5255-5268). It is available at: http://www.dtic.mil/envirodod/rab/63fr_tapp.html
- 6. TAPP Training Curriculum**

This curriculum was used in 1997 to train Component personnel on this new DoD program. It includes PowerPoint slides and notes to be used by individuals who are training installation and community RAB co-chairs, installation commanders, and contracting officers. The curriculum will be made available on DoD's Environmental Cleanup homepage.
- 7. TAPP Fact Sheet**

This one-page fact sheet provides a brief introduction to the TAPP program, application process, and eligible projects. This fact sheet will be made available on DoD's Environmental Cleanup homepage.
- 8. TAPP Brochure**

This tri-fold, color brochure provides a more detailed introduction to the TAPP program, application process, eligible projects, and important points of contact. This brochure will be made available on DoD's Environmental Cleanup homepage.

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- 9. TAPP Poster Stations**

This three-part instructional exhibit was developed to accompany the TAPP training curriculum (described above). It is available on a loan basis, in electronic or printed form, from Component RAB/TAPP points of contact.
 - 10. RAB Annual Reports to Congress**

These reports summarize the status, activities, expenditures, and anticipated future activities of DoD's RAB program and related efforts. The 1996 and 1997 reports are available at <http://www.dtic.mil/envirodod/envrab.html>
 - 11. Joint DoD/EPA RAB Implementation Guidelines**

These guidelines were published in 1994 and are available at <http://www.dtic.mil/envirodod/rab/finalrab.html>
 - 12. Updating Your RAB to Meet BRAC Needs (RAB Fact Sheet #1) , June 1996**

This fact sheet specifies changes to be made to a RAB when a base is identified for closure. It is available at: <http://www.dtic.mil/envirodod/brac/rabs.html>
 - 13. U.S. Army RAB and TAPP Guidance, April 1998**

This comprehensive document provides guidance on RAB establishment, procedures, responsibilities, funding, reporting, and adjournment. It also provides guidance on TAPP. It is available at: <http://denix.cecer.army.mil/denix/Public/Policy/Army/IRP/rabapr98.html>
 - 14. Establishment of RABs, Navy Memorandum, Director of Environmental Protection, Safety and Occupational Health, February 1994**

This memorandum provides Navy guidance on criteria and procedures for establishing and operating RABs.
 - 15. Navy TAPP Implementation Guidance for Field Activities, April 1998**

This document provides Navy guidance on TAPP procedures, requirements and reporting.
 - 16. Air Force Policy**

Role of Restoration Advisory Boards (RAB) in Environmental Cleanup Priority-Setting , January 17, 1996:

 - SAF/MI Memo, Beyond Devolvement in Environmental Cleanup, 11 Sep 95
 - SAF/MIQ Memo, Role of Restoration Advisory Boards in Environmental Cleanup Priority-Setting, 12 Oct 95
 - Attachment: AF Policy on Role of RABs in Priority-Setting
 - Implementation Guidelines
 - All of these are available at: <http://www.dtic.mil/envirodod/envrab.html>
 - 17. Consensus Principles and Recommendations for Improving Federal Facilities Cleanup; Final Report of the Federal Facilities Environmental Restoration Dialogue Committee, April 1996**

This document provides recommendations for increasing stakeholder input into the federal facility decision-making process and is available at: <http://www.epa.gov/swerffrr/ferdcrrpt/toc.html>
 - 18. Management Guidance for the Defense Environmental Restoration Program, March 1998**

This is the central guidance document for the restoration program and includes a section on community involvement. It is available through the DoD Environmental Cleanup homepage, Publications section.
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